

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

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Day 1 (Tuesday): Elevated fire weather conditions persist today and tonight across the southern California mountains, where winds will locally gust 35-45 mph

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

05/18/21 - 05/24/21

Tuesday-Monday

- Several additional rounds of elevated fire weather conditions are expected across the southern California mountains today through Thursday, with locally gust winds of 35-45 mph and ongoing very dry conditions
 - The strongest winds are expected from each evening through late morning
 - Portions of Santa Barbara County will see gusts of 60-65 mph today and tonight.
- Cooler temperatures arriving statewide through mid and late week, persisting through the weekend
- Increasing chances for some much-needed late season rain showers and possibly some high elevation snow at times across northern California and the northern and central Sierra Wednesday night through Saturday, potentially lingering into Sunday
 - Low forecast confidence on the exact timing, placement, and amounts of precipitation at this time



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

05/18/21 - 05/24/21

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	Southern (Mountains)	Southern (Mountains), Coastal	Southern (Mountains)				
Snow							
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)							
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)	Southern	Southern	Southern				
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding/ Debris Flow							
Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



Moderate Impacts



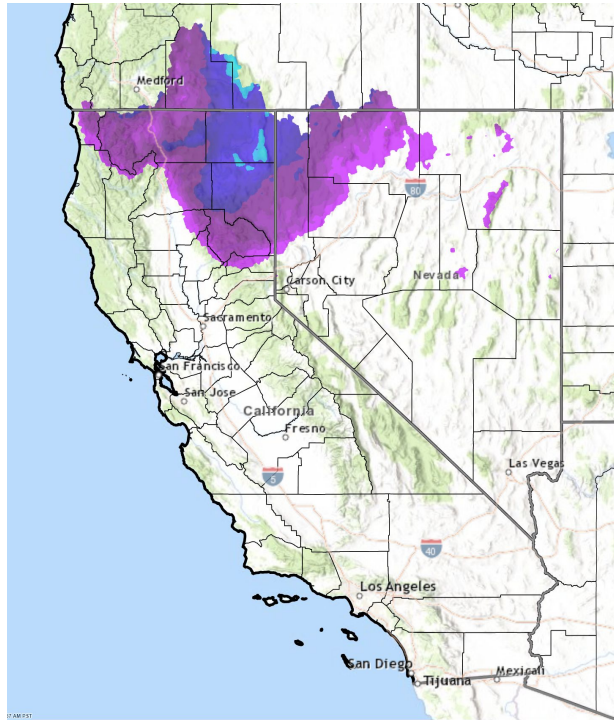
Severe Impacts

PRECIPITATION FORECAST

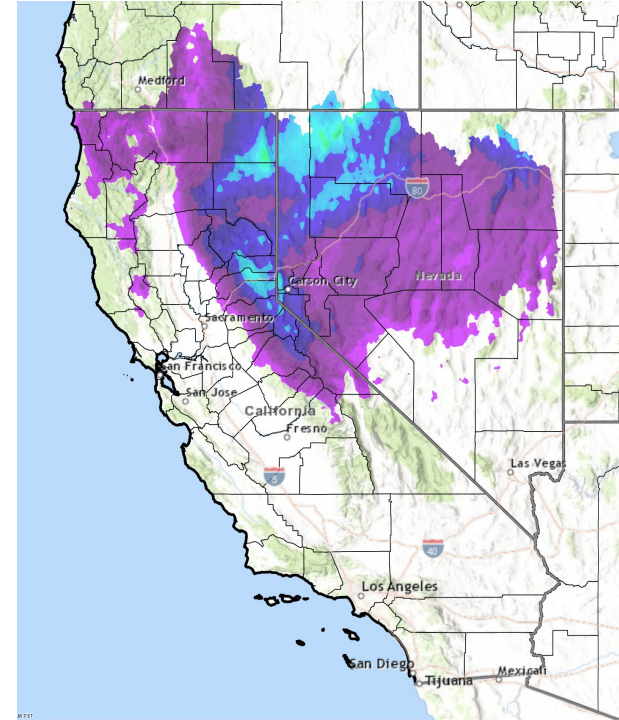
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Tuesday



Wednesday



Thursday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

05/23/21 - 05/31/21

6-10 Day Outlook (May 23 – May 27)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are favored statewide

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation is favored for central and northern California, with near normal precipitation favored across the south

8-14 Day Outlook (May 25 – May 31)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are slightly favored across the majority of the state

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation is also favored for much of the state



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